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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR MASS, PE, US

SUBJECT: PERUVIAN AIR FORCE INTEREST IN F5- E PURCHASE

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH AIR MINISTER GILARDI I LEARNED THAT THE FAP HAS NOT YET SIGNED A FIRM COMMITMENT TO BUY THE MIRAGES AND THERE IS CONTINUED INTEREST IN THE F5- E. QUITE NATURALLY HE MENTIONED THE FACT THAT IT HAD BEEN NOTED WITH CHARGIN IN LIMA THAT PERU HAD NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF THOSE COUNTRIES IN SOUTH AMERICA WHICH WERE ELIGIBLE TO PURCHASE AIRCRAFT AND HE HOPED THAT WE COULD GIVE HIM SOME POSITIVE INDICATION THAT THIS OMISSION MIGHT BE RECTIFIED. I TOLD HIM THAT I ALSO HAD HOPES THAT, IN VIEW OF THE LIFTING OF THE FMS SUSPENSION, THE NECESSARY STEPS WOULD BE TAKEN SHORTLY TO OBTAIN THE REQUIRED WAIVER . GILARDI ASKED ME TO INFORM MY GOVERNMENT THAT THE FAP WAS STILL INTERESTED IN THE F5- E BUT THAT THE LINE WAS DRAWING VERY NEAR WHEN A FINAL DECISION WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE AND HE ASKED ME TO PROVIDE HIM WITH WHATEVER ENCOURAGING NEWS I MIGHT HAVE AS SOON AS IT BECOME AVAILABLE.

2. IN THIS CONNECTION, I BELIEVE THAT ONE EFFECTIVE WAY OF INDICATING OUR INTEREST AND AT THE SAME TIME DELAYING A DECISION ON THE PART OF THE FAP WOULD BE TO SEND A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TEAM TO PERU TO DISCUSS THE F5- E
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